THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M. V. CHANDRASHEKHAR MURTHY): (a) Housing and Urban Development Corporation (HUDCO) and National Housing Bank (NHB) have reported that they have not received any proposal in the recent past from the Government of Uttar Pradesh for financial assistance to improve the conditions of hospitals in the State.

(b) Does not arise.

Revenue loss due to Shifting of Serials from DD-2 to DD-1

2106. SHRI KANAKSINH MOHANSINH MANGROLA:
SHRI CHIMANBHAI HARIBHAI SHUKLA:

Will the Minister INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to refer to the answer to Starred Question 40 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 1st August, 1995 and state:

(a) the gross revenue earned in the month of July, 1995 by popular TV serials shifted from 2nd June 1995 from DD-II Metro Channel to DD-I primary Channel at 10.30 PM slots;

(b) what is the percentage of loss of revenue to Doordarshan per month after these serials are shifted as compared to revenue loss/earned by these serials during March, April and May, 1995; and

(c) what steps are being taken to revert these serials to some other suitable prime time slots keeping in view of the larger interest of viewers all over the country and accruing maximum revenue?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO): (a) Rs. 53.56 lakhs.

(b) Monthly variations in the commercial revenue earned by Doordarshan is a normal feature. Any conclusion about Doordarshan having suffered any loss of commercial revenue or otherwise can be drawn only after the full figures for 1995-96 become available.

(c) The time slots allotted to these serials are considered appropriate at present.

Excise Duty on Tractors

2107. SHRI BHUPINDER SINGH MANN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of excise duty on the tractors of different make;

(b) the same on scooters and cars;

(c) whether the excise at source on the components which are taken from outside like battery, light electrical equipments typer etc, included in it; details thereof; and

(d) what are the details of excise on tractor combine and excisable tractor machinery annually?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M. V. CHANDRASHEKHAR MURTHY): (a) (i) Excise duty rate on tractors of engine capacity not exceeding 1800 cubic centimeters and their chassis — nil
(ii) Excise duty rate on tractors of engine capacity exceeding 1800 cc and their chassis — 10% ad valorem.

(b) (i) Excise duty rate on two-wheeled motor vehicles (including scooters) of engine capacity not exceeding 75 cc — 15% valorem.
(ii) Excise duty rate on two-wheeled motor vehicles (including scooters) of engine capacity exceeding 75 cc — 25% ad valorem.
(iii) Excise duty rate on cars — 40% ad valorem.

(c) The excise duty paid on components is available as credit under the Modvat Scheme for payment of excise duty on the final product. However, no credit is allowed in the fianal product is exempted from excise duty.